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[*on the report of the Third Committee (A/58/504)*]

58/245. Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

The General Assembly,

Recalling paragraphs 35 to 37 of its resolution 51/77 of 12 December 1996 on the rights of the child, in which the mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict was established,

Recalling also its resolution 57/190 of 18 December 2002, in which it requested the Secretary-General to undertake a comprehensive assessment of the scope and effectiveness of the United Nations system response to the issue of children affected by armed conflict, including recommendations for strengthening, mainstreaming, integrating and sustaining those activities,

Taking note of the report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict[1] and his oral statement to the Third Committee of the General Assembly on 20 October 2003,[2]

Recalling the role of the General Assembly in promoting the protection of children affected by armed conflict,

Recognizing the progress achieved since the establishment of the mandate of the Special Representative and the recommendation by which the Secretary-General extended the mandate of the Special Representative for a further period of three years,

Commending the support and the voluntary contributions of donor countries for the work of the Special Representative in the fulfilment of his mandate,

Expressing concern about the financial instability of the Office of the Special Representative and its adverse impact on the implementation of the mandate,

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[1] See A/58/328 and Corr.1.

[2] See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Third Committee*, 18th meeting (A/C.3/58/SR.18), and corrigendum.

Decides that the activities under the mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict shall be supported through regular budgetary funding.

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